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factors, metabolic products, serum proteins and hormones.

115. (New) The method according to claim 102, wherein the sphincter muscle is selected from the group consisting of urinary tract muscle, urethra and bladder muscle.

116. (New) The method according to claim 102, wherein the sphincter muscle injury or dysfunction is selected from the group consisting of bladder inflammation, overactive bladder, impaired bladder contractility, urinary stress incontinence and erectile dysfunction.

117. (New) The method according to claim 103, wherein the muscle is selected from the group consisting of skeletal muscle, smooth muscle, sphincter muscle, urinary tract muscle, detrusor muscle, urethra and bladder muscle.

118. (New) Isolated muscle-derived stem cells produced according to any one of claims 76 to 80.

REMARKS

In this Preliminary Amendment, new claims 81-118 have been added to more completely define the invention. Support for the new claims is found in the claims as originally filed. More specifically, support for the use of muscle-derived cells to bulk up muscle cell wall is found in the present specification at page 17, lines 5-11; at page 23, lines 17-25; page 61, lines 6-10. Support for suitable muscle-derived cell types is

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found in the present specification at page 23, lines 26-28; page 30, lines 26-28 to page 31, lines 1-4. Accordingly, no new matter is introduced into the application by virtue of the newly-presented claims. The presently pending claims in this application are claims 1-118.

AUTHORIZATION

Should fee(s) additional to those paid herein be deemed necessary for the filing of this application, including the Preliminary Amendment, the Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee(s) which may be required to Deposit Account No. 13-4500, Order No. 2710-4007US1.

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